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## WILSON AGREES TO PACT TERMS WITH MEXICANS

President Satisfied Over Arrangements as Made at Conference Between Scott and Obregon.

### AWAITS WORD FROM CARRANZA

Washington Officials Believe That De Facto Head Will Agree to Terms; Gradual Withdrawal of American Expedition is One of the Points Contended.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Secretary of War Baker sent to President Wilson a 2000 word message today from Scott. The contents were not revealed. Army men are convinced that an early withdrawal of American troops is indicated. It was thought that Carranza would approve the terms. Although it is known that Wilson is satisfied with the agreement, no formal announcement of approval will be made until Carranza approves. The president and Baker conferred at noon. Afterwards a message was sent to Scott stating that the president awaited word from Carranza which was expected late today. The president then probably will issue a statement.

Aside from the knowledge that the agreement does not put a time limit upon the stay of troops in Mexico and provides a satisfactory use of the railways, nothing official has been learned.

EL PASO, May 4.—Scott and Funston were much pleased today when informed officially that the president approves of the pact with Obregon. American aid in rehabilitating Mexico is expected to follow the ratification of the pact. The authorities believe that the agreement includes the following:

Gradual retirement of the American expedition; the contraction of the lines preliminary to withdrawal; the use of Mexican railroads; American troops to be unharmed in the hunt for Villa, the Carranzistas genuinely cooperating; Americans to continue avoiding Mexican cities; the United States to use its influence to obtain financial aid for Mexico and to permit the importation of arms and ammunition; to change the Mexican mining laws permitting the reopening of the mines; foreign capital permitted to return to Mexico.

Authorities agree that Mexico's problem is more economical than military. Hunger and unemployment are held responsible for banditry.

NAMIQUEPA, May 4.—P. P. Holly, an El Paso rancher and scout for Pershing was killed Tuesday near Rubio. It is believed that a small band of Villistas shot him. Rubio was known to be a resort of the Villistas. A detachment of the 10th cavalry was scouting. Holly separated from them. Not returning, soldiers searched and found his corpse.

## PROPOSED INCREASE IN RATES ON STEEL HELD UNJUSTIFIED

SALEM, Ore., May 4.—(Special)—The public service commission today cancelled the proposed increased rates on steel and iron shipments from Portland to Pendleton and Athena. The commission held the increase not justified.

At the local O.-W. R. & N. freight office no news has yet been received of the commission's action and the proposed rate is regarded as having been in effect since May 1. The increase is from 30 to 35 cents per hundred on iron and steel.

## T. R. SAYS HE DOES NOT SEEK G.O.P. NOMINATION

NEW YORK, May 4.—"I'm not seeking the presidential nomination and I tell you in all sincerity that I am not the least interested in my own personal fortunes." This was the concluding sentence of a letter that Roosevelt sent to the Ohio German-American, who suggested that the colonel tone down his statements regarding Belgium, thereby commanding the votes of the Germans and Irishmen. Roosevelt emphatically refused to modify or qualify anything he had said regarding Belgium.

## Natatorium Will be Opened June 1 is Announcement

IN ALL PROBABILITY A STEAM HEATING PLANT WILL BE INSTALLED.

The natatorium at Round-Up Park will be opened on June 1 and a steam heating plant will, in all probability, be installed.

These two announcements, of paramount interest locally, were made at the council meeting last evening by Chairman Taylor of the natatorium committee. The committee, he said, is now actively at work in preparing for the bathing season and hopes to make the institution even more popular than last year.

The announcement that the water will probably be heated is particularly gratifying to lovers of aquatic sport, inasmuch as the overflow water from the city reservoirs is too cold for comfortable bathing in the early and late seasons.

If the heating plant is put in, a sufficient charge for bathing will be made to pay the cost of maintenance. The committee believes that only a small charge will be necessary.

For some time it was considered that an electric heating plant could be installed but the committee now believes that a steam plant would be more satisfactory and just as economical. The plan is to install coils in a concrete intake basin so that the water, in entering the pool, will pass over the hot pipes. The temperature of the water can be raised from ten to forty degrees by this method, the committee thinks.

At present the plan hinges upon securing a boiler that will not be too expensive.

Superintendent Employed. The committee also announced last evening that Prof. E. E. Geier, principal of the east end school, has been employed as superintendent of the natatorium during the summer.

Application was made last evening by Tom Glenk for permission to open an ice-cream and soft-drink booth at the natatorium during the summer. This matter was referred to the committee.

## Miss Saling Goes to Top of List in the Queen Contest

91,100 VOTES SENT FROM HERE GIVE LOCAL GIRL FIRST PLACE.

A block of 91,100 votes for Miss Muriel Saling, Pendleton's candidate for Queen of the Rose Festival, was sent to Portland last night and sent her from twelfth position up to the top of the list. Her total vote this morning was 135,323.

The new order of giving 5000 extra votes for every 100 purchased is causing heavy balloting and daily changes are being made in the race. For instance last night Lillian C. Hendricks, the candidate of the Foresters of America, was leading with a total of 131,621. Miss Jewell Carroll of the Knights and Ladies of Security was next with 130,261 and Miss Mildred Pegg of Vancouver, came along close behind with 128,410. Miss Eleanor Jackson of McMinnville had 128,265 and Rose Uptegrove of Oregon City, 125,420. Edith Fraasch of Eugene has 118,673 and Mrs. Maude Gilman of the G. A. R., 114,107. The others range from 25,000 to 107,000.

Eugene, Oregon City, Vancouver, McMinnville and Klamath Falls are all working hard to land the queen-ship and it behooves Pendleton people to take advantage of the special offer of 6000 votes for one dollar which lasts until May 13. This is the last special offer that will be made. It is stated positively. The contest closes May 19.

Mr. J. M. Quest came in from Helix today to meet her daughter, Miss Monta Quest, who had been visiting in La Grande and Cove for several weeks.

## Greulich & Cooper Purchase Alta Theater; Run Cosy Also

Having been purchased yesterday by Messrs. John Greulich and E. L. Cooper from the old proprietors, Deery & Chandler, the Alta theater is now under new ownership and in the future is to be managed by Mr. Cooper, who is also to have the management of the Cosy (formerly the Orpheum).

The deal for the Alta was completed yesterday by the new owners and they took possession at once. It is announced that the same line of pictures will be continued at the Alta. However, the vaudeville feature will be much strengthened. Within a short time a new service will be secured, providing a daily vaudeville program, the talent being from a circuit playing the large coast cities from Los Angeles to Seattle. This vaude-

## Many Arrests Are Made in April by the Local Police

NUMBER IS DOUBLE THE AMOUNT MADE DURING THE FIRST THREE MONTHS.

More than double the arrests made in any one of the first three months of the year were the arrests made during the month of April by the police. The police records show that 46 men were taken into custody during April, whereas in January and February there were but 22 and in March but 31.

Despite this increase the number does not reach half of the number arrested during April of 1915. In that month, last year there were 108 arrests. So far this year the police have made just 111 arrests.

Of the 46 taken into custody but 25 were taken into court, the recorder's monthly report showing but 25 violations recorded. Of this number nine resulted in fines paid, seven forfeited bail, 16 served sentence, two cases were dismissed and on suspended sentence was given. The total amount of money collected in fines was \$259.

## COUNCIL DECIDES TO OPEN CEDAR STREET TO TRAFFIC

HAZEL STREET BETWEEN COURT AND ALTA WILL BE GRADED SOON.

At the meeting of the city council last evening it was decided to open Cedar street between Webb and Court. Fertilizers had been made by Joseph Pledier and others for the opening of Maple street between Webb and Court but the committee reported against this because of the expense which would be necessary in crossing the railroad and in moving a well.

It was also decided to grade Hazel street between Court and Alta, this street having been opened recently.

To Sprinkle Streets. Chairman Phelps of the street committee asked that the recorder be instructed to advertise at once for bids on street sprinkling and this action will be taken. He stated that he would probably put two sprinklers on the streets today inasmuch as the dust in some sections was becoming a nuisance.

Chairman Taylor of the cemetery committee announced that a second man had been employed at the cemetery for the summer season to assist in keeping the burial ground in good condition.

Relative to the order of the street commissioner for the O.-W. R. & N. to fix the depression between its tracks at one place on Main street, C. H. Carter, attorney for the company, addressed a communication to the council to the effect that the settling had been caused by the breaking of a city water main. He, therefore, held that the repair should be made by the city.

H. A. Medernach requested permission to repair his building on Garden street, recently damaged by fire. The matter was referred to the fire committee.

## Wheat Weaker at Close of the Market

CHICAGO, May 4.—(Special to the East Oregonian)—Today's range of prices:

	Open	High	Close
May	\$1.15 1/2	\$1.15 1/2	\$1.13 1/4
July	\$1.16 1/2	\$1.16 1/2	\$1.14 1/4

Portland.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 4.—(Special)—Merchants' Exchange prices today: Club, 91 bid, 87 asked; Blue-STEM, 11.03 bid, 11.06 asked.

Liverpool.

LIVERPOOL, May 3.—Wheat—Spot No. 1 Manitoba, 12s 11d (\$1.85 per bushel); No. 1 northern spring, 12s 8d; No. 2 red western winter, 11s 6d (\$1.67 per bushel).

## Insanity Plea to be Traitor's Way to Escape Death

SIR ROGER CASEMENT ALREADY HAS BEEN TRIED FOR HIGH TREASON.

LONDON, May 4.—Casement was tried on a charge of high treason a few days ago, it was announced today. Baron Reading presided. Unless he escapes death through a plea of insanity, he will be hanged by a silken rope, the ancient privilege accorded British noblemen guilty of a crime against the crown.

Carson and Redmond jointly have appealed for mercy for the Irish rebels who fought in the range. It is believed that the majority of them will be lightly sentenced and a few deported.

An Evening News dispatch reported that the Dublin hospitals were filled. The bodies of 66 soldiers and 122 rebels, and civilians were counted there. The morgues contain 300 bodies. The majority of reports agree that Asquith had announced only three executions. The third was Thomas J. Clarke, a tobaccoist. The conspiracy supposedly was hatched in his shop.

Officials today confirmed the statement that three Irish rebels were executed. They were Pearce, Clarke and MacDonogh. James Connolly is not dead. He is imprisoned, severely wounded.

## RUSSIAN REVOLUTIONISTS FIRE MOSCOW IS REPORT

BERLIN, May 4.—(Wireless to Sayville).—Russian revolutionists started a great fire in Moscow which has spread to the administration buildings. The blaze is still raging, Stockholm dispatches stated.

## NEWS SUMMARY

General.

German reply is due to be handed to Gerard today.

French strengthen lines at Verdun. Wilson agrees to pact made with Obregon.

Local.

Natatorium to open June 1; water to be warmed.

Local man may buy control of Pilot Rock telephone line.

Pendleton's candidate for queen at head of list.

## First Photos of Damage Done in Verdun During Battle



A Street in Verdun Today.

These are the first photographs of Verdun since the Germans began there the greatest battle of history. The upper picture shows a glimpse of a street in the town, and the destruction wrought. The lower picture shows French soldiers being rushed to various points on the line by one of the 5000 automobiles used by the French to bring up reinforcements.

The Pacific northwest contains practically half of all the standing timber in the country, but furnishes only one-sixth of the annual cut. The southern pine region is the present center of the lumber industry, furnishing about 45 per cent of the annual production.

## In Opposing Proposed Bonds Issue Strain Says the Will be Heavy on Taxpayer

NOTE.—The following is the address delivered Tuesday at Pilot Rock by Assessor C. P. Strain in opposition to the bond issue for good roads:

When it comes to selling bonds by the million to invest in roads, prudent counsels careful consideration.

- 1.—What will be the total cost?
- 2.—Will it pay?
- 3.—Will home labor receive maximum benefits under proposed plan?
- 4.—Who pays the taxes?
- 5.—Are there other needs more pressing?
- 6.—How long will the road last?

Multnomah is held to have made a generous contribution toward permanent good roads through construction of one hundred miles of the Columbia highway. She has more than eight times over her population. She has eleven times over her population. She has eleven times over her population. She has eleven times over her population.

But more than a hundred miles are demanded, and as would entail upon us a hardship equal to that upon them by the construction of a thousand miles.

Having less urgent need, can we afford to spend money upon our roads eight times more lavishly than Multnomah County has done? Those believing that \$930,000 will be the end of the cost have a surprise awaiting them. Columbia county sold \$360,000 worth of bonds and made a direct road levy of \$100,000 more. The great sum went in chunks where nothing was received in return. The statement was made, without contradiction at the State Taxpayers' League Convention in Portland, that \$109,000 of it was swallowed up by the state engineering department. The upshot of the whole affair is that the money has been consumed and that the road lies unfinished. The bond limit has been reached, the road is going to ruin for

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## Many Indians do Not Have Desire For Citizenship

SECRETARY LANE CITES LETTER FROM LOCAL REDMEN IN PROOF THEREOF.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Two full-blooded Indians of the Umatilla reservation in Oregon are cited by Secretary of the Interior Lane as conspicuous examples of the unwillingness of many of the red men to accept responsibilities of citizenship when it is offered them.

Secretary Lane, convinced that the Indian should take his place as a citizen as soon as he is fitted, appointed two so-called competency boards to personally examine the Indians and report to him as to their fitness. Several thousand have been examined, and about 500 recommended for citizenship, under which they would be severed from tribal bonds, and allowed to do as their white neighbors do, particularly to vote and pay taxes.

Decline to Be Citizens.

Leo Sampson and Allen Patawa are two Umatillas who sent a joint letter to the secretary protesting against having citizenship thrust upon them. They have declined to apply for citizenship.

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## GERMAN ANSWER TO DEMANDS IS EXPECTED TODAY

Official Announcement at Berlin States That Reply Will be Handed to Ambassador Gerard.

### NO IDEA WHAT IT CONTAINS

Much Speculation is Rife as to Probable Attitude of the Imperial Government Toward Latest Demands of United States; Some Think That Note Will Evade.

BERLIN, May 4.—It was officially announced that the German reply would be handed to Gerard this afternoon.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—The German reply probably will not be received before Saturday, but the government expects information regarding its contents tomorrow. Gerard cabled that he was forwarding a report on his conference with the Kaiser. It was expected to contain a summary of the German attitude.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—The uncertainty of when Germany's reply will be dispatched raised new doubts today of the document's contents. Either a direct compliance with American wishes or an evasion is expected. The time being taken for framing a reply aroused the belief that a temporizing message was likely. Others think that an effort to frame a reply directly complying with the demands without arousing feeling in Germany, explains the delay. Gerard advised Lansing that he expected to receive the reply today.

## 20 CENT LUNCHEONS SERVED BY GIRLS PROVE SUCCESS

YOUNG WOMEN ENTHUSIASTIC TO SEE WHO WILL DO THE BEST WORK.

In the domestic science department of the high school, Miss Butler has divided the girls into groups of three each. These groups have been serving "20 cent" luncheons in the dining parlors to invited guests. They are now beginning on their second round.

Miss Edith Richardson, Juanita Friedly and Gladys Simpson prepared, served and washed and put their kitchen in order in two hours and three minutes. Friday they will serve five of the Pendleton physicians and they hope to make better time.

Last Friday the Misses Fay Duff, Emily Carney and Ruth Isaacs, served Mrs. Tom Boylen, John Snyder, Roy Duff, Zoe Carney and Gene Boylen. This group did their work in two hours.

## INDEPENDENT PHONE CO. MAY BE MANAGED BY LOCAL RESIDENT

DEAL IS ON TO SELL MAJORITY OF STOCK TO EDMUND MABLE.

Through information coming today from Pilot Rock it is learned that a meeting of the stockholders of the Independent Telephone Co. has been called for Saturday, May 13, for the purpose of considering the sale of a controlling interest in the corporation to Edmund Mable of this city, local manager for the P. T. & T. Co.

For some time past, it is understood, prominent stockholders of the independent company have been approaching Mable upon the matter of taking the management and control of the company, their idea being that a trained man at the head would insure a much more capable management and a much more efficient service.

Reports have it that a majority of the stockholders are ready to turn over their stock to the local man at \$50 per share, which figure is \$10 above par. There is a minority opposition, it is said, and it is this that has led to the call for a meeting.

There are many stockholders in the company, each telephone on the system being represented by a share of stock. The company has two lines into Pendleton, gives local service in Pilot Rock and has lines running into Ukiah, Nye and other southern points and also into the McKay creek territory.